

Caregiver Forum
June 4, 2014
1 – 3pm
41 Anthony Ave. Conference Room C

I. Call to Order

Facilitator: Marietta D'Agostino

II. Business

Topic	Presenter	Discussion	Action Steps- Due Date
Purpose: Discussion of issues and concerns relative to Caregivers legally participating in the MMMP			
Welcome and introduction	Ken Albert	Welcome to all participants. Mention of passing of Chris Kenoyer and acknowledgement of his work efforts on behalf of the use of medical marijuana	
Meeting rules and format	Marietta D'Agostino	Discussion of meeting expectations, confidentiality, respect for opinions and ideas and composition of group. Requesting fixed number of consistent attendees to enable the process to be efficient and meaningful. Asked that all present bring information to others so that information sharing is widespread. Meeting is a forum to discuss issues but not a political forum.	
Contact information	Marietta D'Agostino	Requested current phone and email information.	
Legislative update	Ken Albert, Joan Smyrski	Discussion on legislation recently passed. New rules being updated. Ken spoke about the new hire – Joel Timmons – who will be a key player with new legislation and rules.	

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Physician's Certification Demo	M. D'Agostino, D Andrews	Demo provided by Dan and Todd from InforME. Explanation of purpose, timeframe for implementation, plans for training and privacy measures was provided	
General topics and discussion	All present	Discussion on new physician's certification was generally positive. Feedback from this group and others is that the proposed system would be beneficial to the program, patients, medical providers and supplies or medicine. Concerns raised focused mainly on the use of a web portal and ensuring that patient information was kept to the highest level of confidentiality. DLRS remains committed to keeping patient information private. When DLRS commissioned InforME to develop this tool, the first requirement was that no patient information be kept. DLRS realizes that there may be continued concerns on this issue and continue to address them as they arise.	
Next meeting agenda	All present	Topics for the next meeting agenda may be submitted up until two weeks prior to the meeting.	Send agenda items via email to Marietta.d'agostino@maine.gov

Next Meeting will be: September 10, 2014 @ 1 pm

DLRS forum rules

Be prepared, on time and follow agenda

Five second time out rule to manage disagreements

Challenge issues not people

Respect confidentiality and use discretion